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The Honorable Marc Shulman, Chair  
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The Honorable Michelle McManus, Chair  
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The Honorable John Pastor, Chair  
Subcommittee on Natural Resources  
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Dear Senators Johnson and McManus and Representatives Shulman and Pastor:

Section 909 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2004 Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) appropriation bill, 2003 PA 171, requires the DEQ to submit a report to the Legislature on the use of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System fund for the previous FY. The DEQ has no information to report at this time, as there was no appropriation for these fees in FY 2003. There is an appropriation for these fees in FY 2004. The DEQ is awaiting action by the Legislature to authorize creation of the fund and collection of the fees.

If you need further information, please contact Mr. Richard A. Powers, Chief, Water Division, at 517-335-4176, or you may contact me.

Sincerely,

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Representative Marc Shulman  
Representative John Pastor  
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